

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Coming up	Movie Night - Still Alice. Screening at MUP.



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

'Prayer Chain' – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

Monday Bible Study – Meets at 2pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

'Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group' – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

'Abiding Life Course' – Meets at 3pm on Wednesdays in the Church House. Contact Stewart Patrick for more info.

'Womens Lunch Study Group' – This Thursday, 18th April, is a social meeting for lunch, 11.30am at the Museum. Next Bible Study will be 2nd May. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 9th May. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"Without God, we can't. Without us, God won't."
- Charles Spurgeon

Giving/Tithing - If you wish to tithe or make a donation to Mangapapa Church, our account number is: Mangapapa Church, 03-0638-0381084-00. Please make sure you say 'tithe' or 'donation' in the reference. If you would prefer to give using our 'Envelope' system, then see Jenny Phin who will set you up with envelopes allocated to you.

	Today	Next Sunday 28 th April
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	J Phin, M Wilson
Ministry Team	E Oates	A Clement
Cups of Tea	L Hindle, <i>Volunteer</i>	A Tyler, D McLean
AV & Sound	D Russell, P Madsen	R Nelson, D Russell
Counters	B Wheeler	N Coffey



Sunday 21st April 2024

10am: 'Today We Walk with the Lord'
Hebrews 4:7

Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: Stewart Patrick
Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

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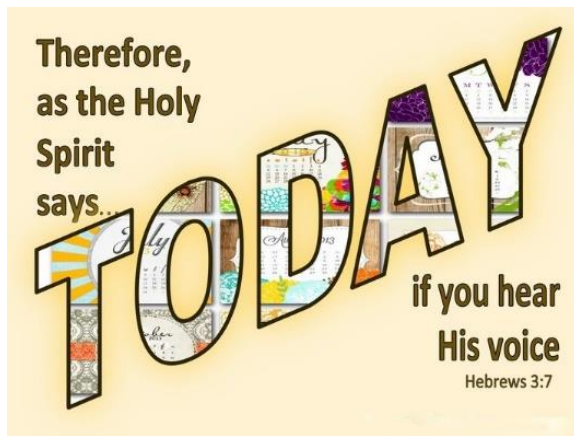
Elders Team

Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863 2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949

Kids have school holiday programmes this week.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and don't share them.

From Easter Sunday, when Shane Roche shared how **Christ identifies with our struggles, and He meets us where we are at** – we have gone on to look at **Christ's peace** given to us, and last week **Christ's love** given to truly enable us to **love One another**. What we are pointing to every week here @ MUP – either in the worship or word (most often both), is that **God wants to be the God of the NOW!** For any relationship to be personal it needs to be a 'current relationship'. If I move back into the past of ruminating on memories such as, *'If only I had not done that' or 'how could they do that to me?'*, I go there alone and it is a dark place. If I go too far into the future, I go alone and that can be frightening. Let us be encouraged, 'TODAY' by His voice.



Stewart writes... Shane & Ali, Isabelle, Esme & Ali's sister Jenny, arrived home safely, in Tewkesbury, U.K. on Monday night our time. When they landed they got the news that Shane's brother-in-law had died while they were flying home. He had been diagnosed with terminal cancer just before they left to come out to N.Z., so that was a very rapid passing. We will keep Shane's sister Alison, in our prayers. Shane & Ali say jetlag is hard this week & they are missing us all already, as we are them!



'The Pot Luck Dinner 'Testimonies video' & now Shane's 'New Zealand video' (played last Sunday in the Service), are both available for you to download & view. Just pop into the Church Office one morning with a USB stick and Dione will download them for you to take away.

Following the re-roofing of the Church complex project (which is now completed), we have been busy cleaning out years of old stored bits & pieces/old trestles & props, from the passageway between the Complex & the Youth Rooms. **Waterblasting, cleaning & fresh paint is going on.** It is looking so much better! At the same time, we are getting paint on **parts of the Garage**



complex that missed out completely when it was built. We are also water blasting, cleaning & painting the



ramp from the carpark leading to the Youth Room/School house. Also the Creche deck area.



For Prayer this Week: Note; There is much that happens over a week and we cannot detail everything. However, when you are connected in a small group(s) prayer for others happens naturally.
1) Pray for John & Angela Paton, helping friends in Argentina.
2) We pray for Shane & Ali Roche & family – as they get over jetlag, back to work & help Alison, Shane's sister in the loss of her husband.

Movie Night! 'Still Alice'

The story of Alice, who receives a diagnosis of early-onset Alzheimers disease, and how she and her family handled it. To be screened at MUP.

Watch this space for further details.

End of Year Donation Receipts – These have now been done up and emailed out. For those whom we don't have email addresses for – your receipt has been printed and you can collect it from the table in the church foyer.

2024 Church Directory – If you're not in the Directory, and you attend MUP regularly, we would encourage you to put your contact details in there. The Church Directory is solely for the private use of the people listed in it, and there is a draft copy in the foyer. It is also good to put a photo in, so that people can 'put a name to the face'. Either email one to the office or catch Dione or Marilyn after church and they will take one for you.